with twenty penny nails the roofe Covered with Inch pine Original plank Cipherd one inch or more well nailed on with 20^d nailes Journal, to be well Studded weather boarded and Gable ended with inch pine plank well nailed on with 20^d nailes the holes between the plate and roofe well filled up with brick and mortar and substantiall Dove Groved in well hung with Iron hinges close fitted, fixed with a good Stock lock and Key all which is to be well done strong tite and worke manlike by Mr Richard Beard for twenty pounds in money. The roofe to be well covered with Cyprus Shingles on the plankes.

Which being here considered M^r Beard is desired to come in. He enters the house and being demanded of M^r Speaker whether he will undertake the work in the Report mentconed, who answered that he would pforme the worke and readily Complyed with the Agreement made with the Comittee for twenty Pounds in money and oblidges himselfe to Compleat and finish the said worke by the Last of Aug' next. And ordered that an ordinance be drawne up for th^t ppose.

The house adjournes till to-morrow morning 7 a Clock.

Dies Veneris May 16th 1701.

The house mett againe all called over present as Yesterday.

A Bill for more Speedy obtayning execucons &c. read the 2^d time and will pass.

A Bill to encourage the Importing Coine, read the 2^d time and will pass.

On mocon of M^r Phillip Lynes it is ordered that M^r Benj^a Hall be added to the Comittee to inspect M^r Lynes acc^t &c.

Message by Thomas Tench Esqr and Collo Addison was read viz:—

By his Ex^{cy} the Govern^r and Councill in Assembly May 15th 1701.

Since by a paragraph of the Letter from the R^t honble the Lords Com¹⁵ of Trade and plantacons &c: of the 3^d of December last laid before you, you cannot but observe their friendly advice to us that we should appoint some quallified pson to be our agent in England there to Sollicite what publick business we shall desire to be successively dispatched, we are desireous to know what resolution your house have thereupon.

Signed p Order. W Bladen Clk: Councill.